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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

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For documents written in a language other than English, English language abstracts and/or explanations are annexed thereto explaining relevancy in accordance with 37 CFR §1.98 (a)(3).

Attached is a Notification of Reason(s) for Refusal dated February 12, 2008, with translation, from the corresponding Japanese Application.

Each reference was first cited in a foreign communication not more than three months prior to filing this statement.

As this statement is being filed after issuance of a final Office Action, please charge a fee of \$180.00 to Deposit Account 50-1290 in accordance with 37CFR §§1.97(c) and 1.17(p).

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Early and favorable consideration is respectfully solicited.

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